POKE FUN AT RATE CONTROL.

FREIGHT MEN SAY THEY'LL

Their Annual Afternoon Dinner Devoted

The fourth annual dinner of the Community of Freight Traffic Interests was CO-EDS WANT NEW BUILDING. heid at the Arkwright Club, 320 Broadway, yesterday afternoon, and was attended by railroad and steamship freight agents and managers of the traffic departments

of large manufacturing corporations. Henry L. Joyce, general manager of the Manhattan Lighterage Company, was toastmaster. In his introductory remarks he

"Hereafter we will not be burdened with pondering over freight rates and cunningly fixed rebates-this everlasting scramble will be a thing of the past. The Governmental freight rates, as unchangeable as the laws of the Medes and Persians, will preserve us forever from all future cause for worry and trouble.

"Let none of us run foul of this new schedule. If we do the strong arm of the Government may grasp and prevent our fifth annual dinner from being the great success we anticipate."

A telegram from President Roosevelt was then read thanking the committee for its courteous invitation and expressing his regret at his inability to accept.

A later telegram from Secretary Loeb said that the President had intended to write a special letter setting forth his views regarding Government control of rates, to be read at the dinner, but that he had been unable to find time to write it. Both of these telegrams were received

with chuckles and suppressed laughter. One man called out: "He'll fix it O. K." Letters of regret were read from John B. Thayer of Philadelphia, Secretary of the Navy Paul Morton and Samuel Spencer. Secretary Morton's name was greeted with

Col. H. P. Bope, first vice-president of the Carnegie Company of Pittsburg, spoke on "Community of Interests and itaBenefits." He bewailed the narrow horizon of many New Yorkers, who couldn't see Pittsburg at all. He assured them, however, that it was still on the map and doing a big business. Its freight tonnage in 1904 was 88,000,000 tons, double that of London, four times that of Paris, and greater than that of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and several other cities together.

His idea of the community of interests was that railronds and manufacturers

was that railroads and manufacturers should work together to make the operation of the law of supply and demand less scrittous. He thought manufacturers were ahead of the railroads in this respect

He also told of the celebration in Panama on the night Secretary Taft adjusted all the differences with this Government.

"I hope the Panamans will never find out how smoothly and completely they were bunceed," he said. "It was decided to open every bar in the town free to all comers for two hours, from 6 to 8 P. M. I watched the fun from the barroom of the Grand Central Hotel. In a large room with a bar across one end fourteen bartenders were hard at work passing out nothing less than a bottle to each man of anything he asked for, from St. Louis beer to French champaigne. Three hundred free and independent citizens of Panama were tumbling over each other to get the free thirst suppresser.

"I was struck by two things: First, in all that night of revelry no blow was struck; all that night of revelry Taft adjusted of Graduates of Graduates of Graduates of Graduates of Graduates of Gra He also told of the celebration in Panama

there was no call for police interference. If such an event had happened here, whether on the Bowery or at the St. Regis, the police reserves would have been called in five minutes. Second, the only intoxicated man I saw was a United States naval officer. Charles F. Moore poked fun at the Government control of railroads. He said that the Government had got the idea of government ownership of railroads beaten by evolving the idea of government. trol. Ownership means responsibility, of course, but control has nothing of that. Why should the Government care to operate the railroads? That takes money. Leave that to the stockholders. It's no fun defending damage suits for lost, strayed or stolen freight or for valuable husbands killed.

"I know what the Government's plan is," he continued, "and I will take you into my confidence. The President of the United States is to be President, ex officio, of all the railroads, and the Secretary of Com-merce is to be the general manager of all the railroads. You call up the President by long distance phone (reverse charges) and he will give you your rate. That beats the present method of writing to the third assistant freight agent for a rate and get-ting a reply from the office boy after the shipment has been made, and then fight-ing for your rebate. (Laughter.)

"The board of directors will not be abolished. They are needed to sell bonds

to meet the annual deficit to meet the annual deficit.
"But seriously speaking, is there any good reason why the Government should not exercise some limited and reasonable control? When you want land for a railroad you like to have the Government step in and say what you shall pay a man who wants an exorbitant price. The shipper should have the same opportunity, if he thinks you are charging too much. The railroad can't exist without the shipper. Fach man should help another and in doing so help himself."

SUFFOLK DINES.

Congressman Cocks Asks It to Help Him Curb Corporations.

Judges, lawyers, farmers and other citirans of Suffolk county came to town last night to attend the third annual dinner of the Suffolk County Association at the

The menu cards were ornamented with pictures of Reuben putting the chickens to roost and then starting for New York. The men from Patchogue, Riverhead and Greenpoint formed into clans at the dinner and had the names of their towns on cards tacked on the walls. President Charles D. Baker was the toastmaster.

Congressman-elect W. W. Cocks, the first speaker, started off by telling a story about an Irishman who wandered into a Quaker meeting just as a stald Friend arose and said solemnly: "I am married to the daughter-to the daughter of the

Well, thin," shouted the Irishman, "it'll, be a mighty long time before ye see yer

He said that the American people were confronted by the greatest problems in its history, and the most important of these, he

These corporations have been reaching Out for many things in this era of prosperity." he continued. "It is our fault if we do not protect the little follows in business from being destroyed. I shall do my attmost when I go to Congress to sustain the fight begun for our able leader, the President, in the task he has undertaken. We have been making history in the last. uphold me when I take my seat in Congress | other attack of tonsilitis.

and do my part in curbing the operations of great corporations."

President Potter of the Long Island

President Potter of the Long Island Railroad said he was expected to speak on "Long Island—the Star of the East." The nearest simile to an eastern star that he could discover was the lighthouse at Montauk Point, but he was glad to be among such jolly Long Islanders.

Surrogate J. N. Belford of Riverhead spoke about "Patriotism." Ex-Senator D. Floyd Davis entertained his audience with a speech on "Our Citizenship."

Other speakers were Samuel L. Parrish, David Welch and J. Addison Young.

Give the Cornell Yell at Luncheon and Sing College Songs. *Cor-nell-Cor-nell-I yell-yell-yell-

Cor-nell. The co-eds yelled it with as much en-

thusiasm as men, and they sang college songs with quite as much fervor, if with little voice, at the luncheon given by the Cornell Alumnae Club in the Manhattan Hotel vesterday afternoon. Before the toasts that were to follow

the luncheon the club indorsed Mrs. Florence Kelley for Commissioner of the

Florence Kelley for Commissioner of the Department of Labor, and will forward the indorsement to Gov. Higgins.

Miss Frances A. Kellor, one of the alumnae, spoke on the status of womat in civics. Size told of her own work in the New York Association of Household Research, of which she is president, and of the home it hopes to establish to lodge women until they can get employment for them.

Miss Margaret Harvey, warden of Sage College, the women's dormitory, made a plea for a new building in which all that is necessary for the life of the college woman could be centralized—dormitory, clubs,

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building.

Miss Mary M. Crawford, a "Medico" student, ec hoed the warden's plea for a building to centralize the women's living necessities. Dr. John Rogers, Dr. Robert T. Morris and Prof. George L. Burr, all from the University, gave toasts.

One hundred and four women were present, and all went away declaring that the condensus they are the new building. co-eds must have the new building

BROWN FOR THE CLASSICS. President Faunce Says so at Alumni Reunion-Record of George William Curtis.

The record of George William Curtis at Brown University was made public last night for the first time by President Faunce of Brown, who came over from Providence to attend the annual reunion of the New York alumni association at the University President Faunce in saying how glad he was to be with Brown men, half Brown men and others asked if any one had ever looked up the record of Mr. Curtis, whom he had always heard of as a Brown "I have," he continued, "and here it is.

It was made in 1838 when Mr. Curtis was 14 vears old. It was: "Latin, d.; Greek, d.; algebra; f; Eng-

Willis Fletcher Johnson of the New York
Tribune, who accompanied Secretary of
War Taft on his recent trip to Panama,
rocke on "The Panama Canal and Its Opcortunities." He thought the building of
the canal would give this country great
byportunities of devoloping commercial
relations with Peru and Chile.

He said he saw 2,000 snow shovels at
Tanama that had been shipped there
during the De Lesseps regime, but they
were no more absurd than many American shipments.

He also told of the celebration in the present day President
Faunce said that it was all well enough to
spend four years in gaining technical
knowledge, but the foundation of success
lay in a broad, classical training. Brown
would give no degree for a mere four years
spent attending a machine. Modern ideas
should be mixed with the culture of the
olden time.

Others who spoke were William H.
McElroy, E. J. Wendell, Coi. H. Anthony
Dyer and F. L. C. Keating. lish f + - not admitted."

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DINE THEIR OLD PRINCIPAL.

Adams and Peter R. Gatens. Dr. Th

Hunter of the Normal Collège and Com-missioner of Education Lummis were guests. Mr. White said that he considered the dinner a tribute to the system of public schools which takes thirty different nationalties of children and teaches them loyalty respect and honor to America and America

can institutions.

"I don't think it is right to tax my old pupils for a dinner every year until I am 100 years old," said Mr. White, "so I want to ask you now to invite the ladies to the fiftieth anniversary of my connection with the public schools of this city next year and we will then consider the debt paid."

Mr. White's old schools are averaged in the consider the debt paid. Mr. White's old scholars approved of his proposition regarding the ladies, but dis-sented from the idea of disbanding the

JIU JITSU AMUSES STROLLERS. Speeches Made by Various Representatives

The Strollers Club dinner last evening had for one of its interesting features a group of Japanese jiu jitsu experts who for half an hour or so kept the little stage of the audience room a bewildering whirl of Jap legs and arms, with every now and then a whole Jap soaring up out of the tangle, propelled by an agile and vigorous leg or knee shove, and landing flat on his back at some remote corner of the stage.

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Edward Fales Coward was toastmaster of the evening, and there were present representatives of athletics from Yale, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania, many of whom made brief speeches. Among those who thus spoke were Alexander Moffatt, football expert; Findley Brook, former golf champion; George Brook, former racquet champion; W. H. Edwards and J. Seaver Page, the crack

Mr. Douglas, in his speech, referred feelingly to the death of Frank Croker, who was present at the last meeting of the

TELEPHONE IN STALLED TRAIN.

Passengers on Snowbound Express Talk With Friends in Outside World. JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Feb. 18 .- A snow

storm blockaded all railroads in Chautauqua county last night. The Cincinnati and Chicago Express left Buffalo at 2:15 yesterday afternoon on the Buffalo and Southwestern road and was stalled at Eden Cen-ter, midway between Buffalo and James-town in a forty foot snow drift.

As soon as the trainmen discovered that

they must spend the night there a long distance telephone line was tapped, a tele-phone established on one of the coaches. and the passengers were able to communi-cate with friends in various cities. Early this morning the train was dug out and proceeded westward.

Funeral of ex-Assemblyman Mangin.

Ex-Assemblyman Thomas A. Mangin. who died in St. Luke's Hospital on Thursday, was buried yesterday from the home of day, was buried yesterday from the nome of his sister, Mrs. Catherine Lewis, at 91 Ham-ilton place. Mangin was elected to the Assembly on the Tammany ticket in 1890, when William E. Stillings was the leader of the Twenty-third district. Among those at the funeral were Mrs. Stillings, Eugene Wise and Thomas J. Hayden. The interwas in St. Raymond's Cemetery

Nan Patterson Eager for Trial.

When Nan Patterson was informed by her counsel, Abe Levy, yesterday, that her new trial was set for March 8, she clapped have been making history in the last months faster than it has ever been de before in our country. I ask you to and said that it couldn't come any too soon. Her father paid her a visit and said that Nan was suffering from an-

CLEVELAND BUSINESS.

WRITES TO STUDENTS ON THE NEED OF PROGRESS.

Dinner of New York University School of Commerce-Consul-General Cehida Tells How Japan Selects World's Best Models in All Phases of Life.

Grover Cleveland, who wasn't there, and Consul-General Uchida of Japan, who was, made about equal hits at the second annual banquet of the New York University School of Commerce, Accounts and Finance at the Hotel Astor last night. Jacob H. Schiff, Robert C. Ogden, A. B. Stickney, I. N. Seligman, A. L. Dickinson, Theodore H. Price, F. R. Leach, W. O. Tremaine, W. S. Witte and Frank E. Diehl also responded to toasts. The toastmaster was Charles E. Sprague. About 100 young men and half a dozen young women, practically all the members of the school, were present. The students all work or study elsewhere in the daytime and attend the school two hours five nights a week. As Mr. Price put it in his speech, they are making a learned profession of business.

Chairman Sprague said that this school was his real work, and for a side issue he looked after the accounts of 80,000 folks of all races in the Union Dime Savings Bank. He introduced Robert C. Ogden. "Don't take any stock in those old fel-

lows," said Mr. Ogden, "who call the former times better than these. They are only flattering their own vanity."

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I am sorry that it is impossible for me to accept the invitation you extend to me on behalf of the School of Commerce, Accounts and Finance of New York University to attend the dinner to be given by the school on the 18th inst.

It seems to me that the objects to be gained through the special course of instruction which this school supplies are of the utmost importance in their relationship to such a practical and useful education as is demanded by the exigencies of our expanding business pursuits and interests.

As American citizens we may well be proud of the solidity and probity of our business must be progressive in the methods if it is to gain and hold national prestige. Our business men must also realize the fact that underlying the important interests they have in charge there are certain principles and laws which the national conditions of the twentieth century inexorably require should be studied and understood.

No one can fail to appreciate how completely the school of commerce, accounts and finance meets these conditions; and it should be cause for patriotic comgratulations that the New York University has added so important an instrumentality to its means of stimulating intelligent business activity and promoting the best American citizenship.

Consul-General Uchida, a number of

Consul-General Uchida, a number of whose countrymen were present as members of the school, got the warmest kind of a greeting. In referring to the introduction of Western methods into Japan, he said:

"I don't mean imitation, but adoption not a gobbling down, but good digestion

-not a gobbling down, but good digestion and assimilation into our own national system. In adopting any new thing, we look at it, shift at it and test it chemically. Unless we decide it is good to eat, wholesome and safe, we do not take it. We pick out the best things from all countries, the English system for our navy, the German for the army. Both are making good to-day in the war. We have also adopted the American method of making money.

be victorious. But war, however victorious, does not pay, from a business standpoint. We are not fighting for gain or for glory. We are just fighting for our national existence. As soon as this war is over we are going to devote our whole energy to the development of our commerce, in which I expect you to cooperate by teaching our young men—some of whom are "We are now waging war and expect to

CODY TESTIMONY CAST OUT. Witness for Buffalo Bill Denomiced

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 18.-The feature of to-day's proceedings in the Cody divorce case was the action of Judge R. H. Scott in throwing out that part of the testimony of Mrs. H. S. Parker in which she gave the names of English noblewomen and the wives of New York millionaires alleged to have been intimate with Col. Cody.

Judge Scott administered a rebuke to Mrs. Parker and to the attorneys, saving the answers of Mrs. Parker were manifestly unjust, preposterous, false and brutal. Col. Cody closed his case to-day with testimony from Col. Powell (White Beaver), who said Mrs. Cody told him she would denounce Cody at the grave of their child as a murderer.

Mrs. Cody opened her case at noon and during the day three witnesses testifled in her behalf. All denied in emphatic terms the charges of drunkenness, using profane language and the poisoning of Cody's dogs as made against her by wit-nesses for Cody.

Col. Cody was on the stand and identified many letters written by him to his wife, some of which he read aloud in the court room. Mrs. Cody will close on Monday night and the depositions will be transferred to the Sheridan court, where a de-

HEARST CAMPAIGN SUIT

New York Congressman Asked to Pay a Boston Hotel's Bill for Drinks.

Boston, Feb. 18 .- Congressman Hearst of New York has been sued by the Frank Jones estate, which owns the Revere House of this city, for a bill of \$241.20, contracted during Mr. Hearst's Presidential campaign last spring. The ranks of the faithful, according to this suit, consumed vast quantities of eatables and drinkables, for

which Mr. Hearst has never paid. The bill of the Revere House was placed in the hands of an attorney for collection some time ago. He found it impossible to attach any of Mr. Hearst's personal property in this city, for the reason that he has none. An assignment of the claim was then made to a New York firm of lawyers, and the suit has been entered in that city. Mr. Hearst denies responsibility for the bill. The attorneys for the Jones estate say, however, that Grenville S. MacFarland had full authority to contract the indebtedness. Mr. MacFarland was the Hearst campaign manager for New the indebtedness. Mr. MacFarland was the Hearst campaign manager for New England and labored in conjunction with George Fred Williams, "Jerry" Watson and others for the advancement of the

WOULDN'T TACKLE FITZ Humane Officer Decided Not to Interfere

With His Play With a Lion. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 18.-A large crowd that had gathered in a saloon to-day to observe Bob Fitzsimmons maul his pet lion attracted the attention of Humane Officer Bradbury, and, unaware of Fitzsim-

Fitzsimmons resented the interference and squared off to impress the officer with his fistic powers, but the latter avoided the puglist and left. He filed a charge, and the puglist was taken to police headquarters. but was later discharged.

TWO-HORNED CHURCH" BURNED Famous Religious Landmark in Ohio Destroyed by Fire.

MARIETTA, Ohio, Feb. 18.-Fire one day this week destroyed a landmark here which linked the present State of Ohio with the frontier colony of a hundred years ago. The "Two-horned Church," so called from the fact that a tower reared itself from each end of the edifice, was burned to the ground.

The church was built in 1788, its plan being drawn and its erection superintended by Rufus Putnam. It had been remodelled twice, but with strict regard for the original design and outlines. It was the oldest church building in the State and had been the scene of many a stirring religious revival in the days when itinerant preachers rode from flock to flock to awake them epiritually. Lorenzo Dow, one of the greatest pioneer

evangelists this country ever knew, is said to have preached from the pulpit of the old church on more than one occasion.

TERRORIZED WIFE AND GIRLS. Daughters of Paul McLaughtin, Retired Contractor, Cause His Arrest.

Paul McLaughlin, 48 years old, a retired

contractor, living at 802 Melrose avenue, was looked up in the Morrisania avenue police station last night charged with threatening the lives of his wife and his daughter, Katie, an eighteen-year-old girl. McLaughlin, his daughter says, went home and, collecting his bank books and papers in a satchel, announced that he was going to leave home. He called to his youngest daughter, Mamie, 14 years old, to go with him, and when she refused he tried to drag her away. When his wife and elder daughter interfered, he choked his wife, it is alleged, into insensibility. Meanwhile Mamie had hidden herself, and while McLaughlin was searching for her Katie and a girl friend who was with her revived the mother, and they fled from

the house. They were joined by Mamie, who

evaded her father, and the four took refuge

near by in the house of a married sister.

who was in bed ill. McLaughlin pursued the women, they said, and, when they refused him admission, battered down the door. He again attempted to carry Mamie away with him, but was attacked by the women and beaten off.

Katie then ran to the police station, and while they were telling their story Mamie burst into the room, calling out that her father was close behind. Two policemen met the man at the door and overpowered him. McLaughlin had the satchel in his hand. He gave it to Mamie, saying: "This is all for you, little girl."

He then dropped on his knees, pleading that the girls would recall the charge. On their refusal he tried to snatch the satchel, saying that he would destroy the papers. He was again overpowered, and the sergeant McLaughlin pursued the women, they said.

He was again overpowered, and the sergeant took charge of the papers.

A doctor was sent for to attend Mrs.

McLaughlin, whose condition is said to be

The girls say that their father was jealous regard for his wife, who is their stepmother.

McLaughlin had not been drinking, and the police say that he appeared to be sane.

CHARITIES BOAT IN THE ICE With Nine Men and Little Coal-A Sound Steamer Stuck. Too.

The Charities Department boat Fidelity was stuck fast in the ice between Hunt's

which I expect you to cooperate by teaching our young men—some of whom are in this school—to make money for Japan."

Among the guests were: John R. Loomis, A. D. Noyes, Dr. J. P. Munn, Chancellor MacCracken, Dean Joseph French Johnson, T. F. Woodlock, Farquhar J. MacRae, Richard T. Lingley, C. A. Preller, C. A. Conant and George Haven Putnam.

It hasn't been able to run between those two points the past week because of the fice, and it has been doing the ferrying besecond and Seventy-second street landings. Yesterday it was thought the Sound was free enough of ice to allow resumption of the regular trips, and the Fifelbity left the Morgue with 100 bodies aboard. She got to Hart's Island without any mishap disinterred bodies, the Fidelity back for the Morgue along about 6 o'cloc and got stuck. Chief Engineer Hamilto of the Charities Department was sourry-ing for a tug at 11 o'clock last night. There is a Sound steamer—not one of the big ones—fast in the ice not far away from

AS TAGGART RAN PRIMARIES He and Three Others Did All the Voting

Indiana Legislators Hear. INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 18 .- At a meeting of the House Committee on Elections, called to consider the Primary Election bill, several persons interested in primary reform appeared, among them James L. Keach, hairman of the Democratic city committee. He told of a primary at a precinct on Indiana avenue when the Democrats were electing delegates to the State convention that instructed for Judge Parker. Thomas l'aggart, he said, and three others were the polling place and a crowd of a hundred more were on the outside clamoring to

The windows were closed, the ballot box was opened in the room, the votes of Taggart and the three others were duly recorded and the delegates of their choice got certificates of election. No one else was allowed to vote.

Barney Conroy, who was a delegate to the Republican county convention, was one of the delegates selected at this

The committee seemed greatly surprised at the revelation. To-day the primary bill was passed by the Senate and will be favorably acted upon by the House.

SHIMSHAS IN EAST NEW YORK. Magistrate Hears That They Are Active There-Police After Them.

Detective Tormey of the Brownsville station arraigned before Magistrate Furlong vesterday in the Gates avenue police court, Brooklyn, two young women, Mabel Scott Pfeiffer of 176 Ellery street and Mabel Prescott, alias Mary Smith of 1301 Atlantic avenue. He said he arrested them Friday night while they were drinking with two men in a saloon run by an Italian at 2336 Pacific street.

oth girls are young and good looking.

Mabel Pfeiffer admitted leading a life shame. She said that her husband forced of shame. She said that her husband forced her to it. A year or more ago she ran away from her aunt's home and went to live with him. She bore him a child, she said, and they were married on Jan. 19. She told the court that he lived on her earnings and that he beat her when she did not earn enough. The Magistrate sent her to the House of the Good Shepherd in default of \$500 for further examination. He com-mitted the Prescott girl to the Wayside

Home for six months.

The Magistrate learned from the detective that shimshas had been operating in the East New York district for some time. Tormey said that the police were hard after them. He asked for a warrant for Mabel Scott Pfeiffer's husband.

Plans have been filed with Building Superintendent Hopper for the enlargement and remodelling of the city house of Mrs. Anson Phelps Stokes, at the southwest corner of Madison avenue and Thirty-fifth street A story is to be added to the rear, a passenger elevator installed and the vestibuled entrance and a part of the façade remod-elled and ornamented. The cost of the mprovements is estimated at \$10,000 by the

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TALKS TO VASSAR ALUMNÆ.

WOMAN COMING INTO HER KING-

Cot. Harvey Wishes College Women Would Tackle Our Enlarging Politics-Are the Most Healthy, Normal and Useful

of Their Sex. Says President Taylor. College met at Delmonico's yesterday Finley of the College of the City of New | tinental Europe, and many foreign countries York and President James M. Taylor of | - especially Germany-make their use

Vassar College. est so the gentler souls are coming to in-

still small voice of conscience the thunders driving to a police station. of the brontosaur. Speaking on the self-chosen text of "Put but by giving her freedom with ourseives to inherit everything worth while in the trable walls of convention or ignorance made of masculine selfishness and pride." words respecting any given subject from the moon to Camemoer, and some one close has always a share in the responsibility. I thought of trying something sentimental like 'Here's to our wives and sweethearts; may they never meet!' But the absurdity of lamenting an incident so full of interest. and excitement was at once patent.

were similar objections to race suicide, divorce, and bridge.
"But there is one subject regarding which I desire to speak as earnestly as I know how. I wish that American women who have been trained to think would take an interest in American politics. This is peculiarly a time when such an influence is needed and would be effective. The great nation has emerged from its shell and become the first of the world powers with enormous responsibilities. Contemplate the magnitude of the task gradually being assumed by the guardianship of the uncounted millions of the western

hemisphere. Consider the far reaching effect of our assumption of diplomatic leadership among the great nations. "Here is an opportunity for American women to exert the same influence upon political history as have their their unique intuitive powers let them do
the work they only can do in helping
American men to exercise the increasing
responsibilities of government. Is not this
an ideal task for you women of Vassar?

President Taylor sounded another clarion
note in defence of the higher education for
women. He reiterated his conviction to

omen. He reiterated his conviction American college women were the most healthy normal and useful of their sex He said that they were quite as much married as other American women of the

DARKEST HOLD-UP SUSPECT.

Mrs. Nieder Says Kelly, Who Is a Negro. Attacked Her in Her Store.

same position.

Jacob Kelly, a negro, of 316 West Fortyfirst street was locked up yesterday in the West Thirty-seventh street station charged with assault and attempted robbery. He went to the little grocery store kept by Mrs. Della Nieder, at 335 West Thirty-eighth street, early in the afternoon and, it is alleged, grappled with the woman.

She fought him off.

Mrs. Nieder reported the case to the police.

Detectives Heaney and Ray arrested Kelly. | ber exonerated him.

CAR FARE INDICATOR. Taxameter Will Stop Overcharging and

Give Owners Their Due. When the fare indicators, such as now DOM, SAYS PRESIDENT FINLEY, are attached to the cabs at the Hotel Imperial stand, come into general use in the

city, the police sergeants and other officials who are called upon to act as arbitrators between disputing passengers and militant hackmen will rise up and breaths a sigh of relief. The ordinary citizen who steps into The local Alumnie Association of Vassar | a cab with fear and trembling and during the trip gambles with himself as to what afternoon for its annual election and lunch- the charge will be must perforce be robbed The officers elected for 1905 were: of this form of diversion, as he can see Miss Elizabeth Cutting, '93, president; exactly at every stage what he owes. The Mrs. George Frank, '98, vice-president; cab owner who sends out his cab can tell him and his assistants certain of the powers Mrs. H. M. Jenkes, '84, secretary, and Miss at night how far his horse has travelled, and duties previously vested in the Board Emma Bradley, 1900, treasurer. There how many trips it has taken and just what of Regents. were 250 Vassar graduates present, and the money the driver has earned. It is all speakers at the luncheon were Col. George simple, and oddly enough it is new nowhere Harvey of Harper's Weekly and the North except in this country. For fifteen years ing in a talk on Friday night at the dinner American Review, President John Huston similar machines have been in use in Con-

mandatory The law of this city allows a cabman to I physical forces are coming to inherit the charge 50 cents a mile on a distance trip, arth. The other day 100 people took tea and \$1 an hour waiting time. This is the beside the dinosaur pygmies in the shadow law, but cabbies are lawless and it is pracof the giant to which they have succeeded. | tically impossible to get one to go any distance for less than \$1, and after the dollar it erit the earth, and woman the gentler man, is a fine speculation to know just what he has in many places succeeded him, as the will insist on getting, even to the length of

This fare indicator records an initial and minimum fare of 30 cents, and works on a yourself in her place," Dr. Finley said: ten-cent fractional basis. The mile is "We must put ourselves in woman's place, split into fifths, and the hour into six minute of teachers therefor. He has been work not by exchanging economic duties with her, intervals. When a passenger employs the cab, the driver sets the machine and so cents automatically appears on the dial. race's experience and hopes. The great | The machine is wheel controlled. A pneuthing is that no one shall be shut away matic pump on the wheel works through to from the eternal things of life by impene- a gear wheel inside the machine. When three-fifths of a mile is traversed, the machine will jump to 40 cents, and as each Col. Harvey mourned that a subject had not been assigned him. "It is a very poor parrot," he said, "who cannot repeat machine will continue to add 10-cent increases to the fare. When the cold creases to the fare. When the cab is ordered to wait, a clock work arrangement starts and adds 10 cents every six min utes—conforming to the legal rate of \$1 an hour. Thus, whether going or standing still, as long as the cab is engaged the fare is automatically indicated. The total amount collected and the number of pas-sengers carried are also indicated for the

information of the cab owner.

The "taxameter," as the German style of machine is called, was first introduced in Hamburg in 1891. In that year the police records showed a few less than 5,000 complaints of extortion against cabmen. In 1895, five years later, the total number of omplaints was seventeen and they were not isputes over fare. Thus wrangling has disputes over fare. Thus wrangling has entirely been eliminated in that city. The German Government some years ago made it mandatory upon cab owners to equip their vehicles with the machines. Last August the Paris cabmen began to attach taxameters, and they have been exceptionally successful.

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The idea of the machine attachment to introduce a small fare for a short ride and a graduated fare for distance travelled and a graduated lare for distance travelled that will always conform with the legal rate and be an absolute guarantee to the passenger. It is believed by those who own the machines that, once the cabbing public know that an honest fare will be indicated and a small charge will be made for short trips, many who now shun cabs will use them. The Imperial stand is a starter, and if the public approves of the plan the company will rapidly extend its area of operation.

HELD FOR A DEATH IN AUGUST Edward Joyce Indicted for Manslanghter Pest Office Clerk the Vietim.

Edward Joyce, a stove maker, of 264 Third avenue, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective Winters of the East Thirty-fifth street station and locked ip in the Tombs on a bench warrant issued Jan. 23 by Judge Foster in General Sessions. He was indicted by the Grand Jury for manslaughter in connection with the death last August of John McCormick, a post office clerk of Station H, at the Grand Cen-

tral station.

McCornick was assaulted at Twentyseventh street and Second avenue on Aug.
16. while walking with a woman. The
police arrested Joyce, but a jury impanelled by Coroner Jackson in Septemher experience of the state of the second s

BUILDING UP HIGH SCHOOLS

EDUCATION COMMISSIONER HAS MANY NEW PLANS

To Make Them and the Normal Schools Better-Would Make Graduates Able to Enter Any College and Separate the Academie and Teachers' Courses.

The standard of the normal and high schools throughout New York State is soon to be raised, as a result of the legislation of last year which created the State Commissioner of Education, and gave The announcement was made by Third

Assistant Commissioner Augustus S. Downof the Potsdam Normal School alumni at the Marlborough Hotel. He explained the plan and the need of its speedy adoption at length yesterday. "The aim of the department, in a nutshell, is to make the standard for professional training more thorough than in any State

"Changes in the curriculum of the high schools are planned which will permit the graduates of the majority of them to enter any college, university or technical Mr. Downing, as the Third Assistant Commissioner, has oversight of all the State elementary schools and the training

in the Union," said the Commissioner

ing on this new plan with Second Assistant Commissioner Edward J. Goodwin, who oversees all high schools and academies. "After a year of the hardest kind of work our plan is at last completed," continued Mr. Downing, "and all that remains is for it to be submitted to the trustees of the

various schools, who will without doubt "There is just one weak place in our new course of study and that is the overloading of the third year. It cannot be avoided however, since advanced education bas reached such a point that any four year high school curriculum is a killing course not only for the boy or girl who takes it,

but for the teacher. "The improvement in the normal schools is needed because graduates from the professional schools for teachers throughout the State cannot be appointed as teachers in New York city until they have had a year's experience outside. This should not be the case, and normal graduates from

outside the city should have the same chance as those of the Normal College. It is only natural that the higher salaries paid in this city should attract teachers from all over the State."

An important feature of the new plants a complete separation of the property of the second o is a complete separation, after the second year, of the academic and normal depart-ments in the State normal schools. Of the ,000 normal students in the State, more than ration for colleges or technical schools.

Mr. Downing said that the funds allotted to the normal schools by the State are hopelessly inadequate for the proper carrying out of the work that is now planned. He expects that legislation for an increased normal school appropriation will be passed as the control of the second school of the second s

normal school appropriation will be pas this spring. STOLE TO PLAY POKER.

Plainfield Letter Carrier Confesses That He Robbed the Mails.

James H. Clarkson, a letter carrier at Plainfield, N. J., was arrested in his post office yesterday by Post Office Inspector James T. Cortelyou on a charge of robbing the mails. He confessed that he had rifled five registered and five ordinary letters and was taken to Jersey City in custody. He was arraigned before United States Commissioner Linsly Rowe and committed to the Hudson county jail in default of \$2,000 bail.
Dr. George W. Endicott of Park avenua

and Seventh street, Plainfield, notified the postal authorities that a registered letter containing \$15 never reached was traced to Clarkson's route carrier had signed for it, forging the physi-

cian's name.
Clarkson confessed to the inspector
that he had lost the money he had stolen